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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR RUSMIN'S CALL ON MR. HABIB

- 1. ON HIS RETURN FROM PRE-IGGI CONSULATIONS IN JAKARTA, INDONESIAN AMBASSADOR RUSMIN NURYADIN SOUGHT APPOINTMENT WITH MR. HABIB ON APRIL 22 TO DISCUSS INDONESIAN PLANNING FOR MAY 13-15 AMSTERDAM MEETING AND TO SOLICIT US VIEWS ON FUTURE OF SEASIA.
- 2. RUSMIN SAID GOI CONSULTATIONS BASED ON IMF/IBRD REPORT OF LONG TERM INDONESIAN CAPITAL NEEDS IN LIGHT OF NEW OIL REVENUES AND CHANGES IN INDUSTRIAL COUNTRIES' ECONOMIES. CONCLUSION DRAWN IS THAT WHILE INDONESIAN WHEREWITHAL LARGER THAN EVER, ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY AND NEED FOR OUTSIDE CAPITAL GREATER TOO. REQUIREMENT FOR FOREIGN CAPITAL OVER NEXT SIX YEARS PROJECTED AT 14.1 BILLION DOLS WITH NEEDED SECRET

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NET CAPITAL INFLOW FOR INDONESIAN FY 75-76 (APRIL 1 - MARCH 31) ESTIMATED AT SLIGHTLY OVER 2 BILLION DOLS FROM FOUR PRIMARY SOURCES WITH FOLLOWING BREAKDOWN: CONCESSIONAL ASSISTANCE (IGGI/EASTERN EUROPE/PETRODOLLARS) 300-500

MILLION DOLS; ADB/IBRD 500-550 MILLION DOLS; EXPORT CREDITS 650-700 MILLION DOLS; COMMERCIAL LOANS 500 MILLION DOLS. RUSMIN EXPRESSED GOI'S HOPE THAT 60 PERCENT OF CONCESSIONAL ASSISTANCE WILL COME FROM IGGI (EAST EUROPEANS AND OIL

STATES HAVE INDICATED INTEREST IN CONCESSIONAL ASSISTANCE BUT GRANT ELEMENT LIKELY TO BE CONSIDERABLY LESS THAN ON IGGI TERMS) AND THAT US WOULD PROVIDE SAME AMOUNT AS LAST YEAR. MAY 1974 AMSTERDAM PLEDGE OF 60 MILLION DOLS DL CUT TO 40 MILLION DOLS AND THEN TO 35 MILLION DOLS, BUT GOI SATISFIED WITH FUNDS AND GRATEFUL FOR SUPPORT WITHIN USG IN FACE OF WIDESPREAD CRITICISM. IMPLEMENTATION OF FY 75 PROJECTS SLOW, HOWEVER, AND HE ASKED HELP IN SPEEDING UP LUWU RESETTLEMENT AND ACEH ROAD SCHEMES IN PARTICULAR. REALIZING PROBLEMS FACING US IN AID FIELD, GOI WOULD UNDERSTAND US INABILITY TO PLEDGE AT UPCOMING AMSTERDAM CONFERENCE OF IGGI BUT HOPED US WOULD LEND SUPPORT TO INDONESIA'S PRESENTATION OF CAPITAL NEEDS, BASED ON IMF/IBRD STUDY.

- 3. MR. HABIB SAID US DELEGATION WOULD LEND STRONG SUPPORT TO GENERAL THRUST OF INDONESIAN PRESENTATION AT AMSTERDAM BUT MIGHT NOT BE ABLE TO PLEDGE AT THIS SESSION. WE HAVE INDONESIAN NEEDS VERY MUCH IN MIND AND WILL BE IN A BETTER POSITION TO DISCUSS WHAT WE CAN DO WHEN PRESIDENT SUHARTO VISITS THIS SUMMER. IT NOW LOOKS AS IF WE WILL BE ABLE TO DO MORE THAN WE THOUGHT POSSIBLE AS LITTLE AS SEVERAL MONTHS AGO. HE EMPHASIZED THAT US REGARDS INDONESIA AS UNIQUE AMONG OIL PRODUCERS FOR ITS RELATIVELY MODEST REVENUES IN CONTRAST WITH LOW PER CAPITA INCOME AND GREAT DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS. WE WILL DO BEST WE CAN TO SUPPORT INDONESIA'S OWN EFFORTS HE CONCLUDED.
- 4. RUSMIN ASKED FOR MR. HABIB'S VIEWS ON DOMINO THEORY, GIVEN INSURGENT THREAT TO THAILAND. INDONESIA HAD CONCENTRATED ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO NEGLECT OF DEFENSIVE SECRET

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PREPARATIONS BUT WAS GIVING ATTENTION TO RETHINKING ITS PRIORITIES.

5. REFERRING TO PRESIDENT'S AVOWAL OF US DETERMINATION TO REMAIN IN SEASIA AND SECRETARY'S SPEECH TO NEWSPAPER EDITORS ON OUR FUTURE COURSE, MR. HABIB SAID WE WILL BE VIGOROUS INPURSUIT OF A STAB E SEASIA AND IN TH S WE CONSIDER INDONESIA A KEY COUNTR. HANOY'S INTEREST INRECONSTRUCTION AS OPPOSED TO EXERTING FURTHER PRESSURES ON ITS NEIGHBORS NOT YET CLEAR; THAILAND FEELS MOST THREATENED, AS WELL IT MIGHT, GIVEN LONG YEARS OF INSURGENCY SUPPORTED FROM HANOI, BUT INDONESIA WELL AWARE OF SOURCE OF THREATS TO ITS OWN STABILITY AND AWARE OF

IMPORTANCE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS COUNTERMEASURE. WE HAVE AGREED WITH INDONESIA'S CONCENTRATION ON ECONOMIC

SECTOR AND HAVE TRIED TO HELP IN SUCH KEY DEFENSE SECTORS AS COMMUNICATIONS AND MOBILITY. WE HOPE TO DO MORE AS ONE FORTUNATE CONSEQUENCE OF OTHERWISE TRAGIC SERIES OF EVENTS IN INDOCHINA. MR. HABIB CONCLUDED BY STRESSING AGAIN OUR CONTINUING INTEREST IN STABILITY OF SEASIA, SUBJECT THAT WILL BE DISCUSSED FURTHER DURING PRESIDENT SUHARTO'S VISIT. KISSINGER

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